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Dear Nick,

I'm told that one of your Memphis pieces describes me as having written about some of the more "extreme" assassination theories.

I write not because I care - not even to complain. It is because to the best of my knowledge you had no copies of my books before you wrote that. Assuming the report to me is accurate.

From this I assume you had a source you regarded as dependable.

Because I am almost unique in espousing my theories and am alienated from almost everyone else in the field over this more than any other question, I naturally find myself interested. If disclosing your source presents no problem.

My prime candidate, who has a track record, might even be wrong!

There has been a unique reaction to the newest book by both the printed press and radio. I know of not a single TV mention. There has not been a single snide remark. And without a single exception the radio stations have given my address and the price of the book. This means listeners don't have to write me and I don't have to write back. While the effectiveness of the stations varies greatly, I am still getting letters from those who heard me only once, three weeks ago today. Or maybe yesterday.

Because I'm broke I can't initiate calls. In not one of the dozens of broadcasts did I take the initiative. Of the talk shows, I have never been on any that called. Of the reporters who called for beepers, I knew only one, an old friend.

Actually, with the university FM stations and outlets like that I've spent a fair amount of time rebutting the frightful "extreme" stuff they've been subjected to. I can attribute practically no sales to them.

If it is a hell of a way to write, publish and "distribute" a book, the encouraging fact is that two weeks after the first story we had received enough in cash to pay the bank about 15% of what is borrowed to pay the printer. Of course, we absorbed all costs in shipping, etc., to make this possible. But interest accumulates.

I hope my asking the question is not putting you in an awkward position. If so, just ignore it. However, there has been some fairly extensive campaigning and if this is part of that, at some point it may be important.

There is one guy you know who, for example, told a reporter I belong in the nut house. In seriousness, understand.

I don't think in this is the right way to try a lawsuit any more than I think Colson et al did the right thing in the White House.

Hope you have a good holiday. At home. Same to Martin when you speak to him. Even Foreman. I'd like him to be around for many more. Even with commemorations like Henry Haile's in describing Foreman's investigation as "heroic" because he walked a couple of blocks twice and made a phone call to the same guy never getting anything in return. Literally. You might get some kicks out of Henry's Memorandum. I've never seen a legal document less in contact with fact or truth. He even begins by apologizing for the lies he then puts on paper. In almost no case can it be considered "unintentional," his word. Mike Dollar told Jim Lesar that Haile had filed no rebuttal to our Memorandum and Mike believes there may be none. Hm. We said the case should be dismissed because of irremedial Constitutional violations. No rebuttal to that? Of course we said many other things, too. We rebutted.

Best regards to you all,